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The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1902.

PRICE THREE CENTS.

Christmas Presents!

IT IS TIME TO BE GETTING THEM.

What is more acceptable than a pretty Shirt Waist or Shirt Waist Pattern?

Line of WAISTINGS, WAISTS, PERS, JACKETS, HOSIERY, UNDERWEAR, WRAPPERS, AND MUSLIN UNDERWEAR for Christmas was never better.

NEW LOT Embroidered Waists in Reds, Blues, Green, and White. These were \$3.98, now marked down to **\$3.00**

NEW LOT Eclipse Flannel, 34 inches wide, stripes in blue pink and black. Very pretty. Good for inexpensive waists, per yard, **15 cts.**

NEW CHALLIES for quilts, in several colors and very pretty patterns, per yard, **5 cts**

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CLOCKS,
JEWELRY,**

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You will make no mistake by giving me a call.

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BETHEL, MAINE.

Here is a honeymoon tale of woe from Rockland. Mrs. Emma Reed Head, a Woolwich bride, is among those quarantined at the Rockland hotel on account of a case of small pox that was discovered there. Her husband was out at the time, and he had to stay out.

AMONG THE SPECIAL BARGAINS

in furniture that should appeal to Christmas buyers, our stock holds no line of goods that will prove more comfortable, be more enduring and at the same time cost the buyer so low, value considered, as this line of

FANCY ROCKERS AND CHAIRS.

Only \$5.00

gives one their choice of more than 25 designs, upholstered in almost every conceivable style and coloring; then if you prefer the solid wood, there are 25 more to pick from; all beautiful patterns—the choicest, in fact, price the same—

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Then there are Saddle Seat Chairs and Rockers for less price, even as low as \$2.50 buys a respectable looking one.

Great variety, splendid quality, and fairest prices are the great points our Christmas stock impresses on every visitor. If you haven't been in, then Come! There's no place like this to discharge a Christmas duty satisfactorily at minimum cost.

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199-203 Lisbon Street,
LEWISTON, MAINE.

STATE NEWS.

U. of M. students contributed \$125 for the relief of students who lost so heavily by the burning of the dormitory at Colby College last week.

The schooner Etta A. Stimpson of Boston, loaded with 365 tons of hard coal for Brunswick, went ashore on the beach between Plum Hills and High Pine, Plymouth coast, yesterday. The crew reached shore in safety.

This is how cold it was in North Windham, Monday night, according to one of the residents. Said he: "Well, I'll tell you. It was so thundering cold in North Windham last night and the wind blew so blamed hard that no one dared to go to bed for fear he would freeze stiff."

Christmas Gifts.

I cannot begin to enumerate the many things, useful and ornamental, that may be found on my list of Holiday Goods. I can only give a few items in a general way, and invite my many customers to come in and learn that the unmentioned list is longer than the mentioned. You will, however, find

Collar and Cuff Cases,
Smoker's Sets,
Tobacco Jars,
Cigar Holders,
Handkerchief and Glove Boxes,
Jewel and Work Boxes,
Toilet and Manicure Sets,
Candle Holders,
Fancy Thermometers,
Ink Stands,
Candelabra,

Pin Trays,
Ash Trays,
Bon Bon Dishes,
Military Brushes,

MISS L. C. HALL,

THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Don't forget the Ladies' Club sale to-morrow.

Miss Ethel Philbrook is clerking for Edward King during the holidays.

E. H. Pratt, principal of the Oxford High School, was in town over Sunday.

Guy Barker came home from Bates College last week, to spend his vacation.

The W. C. T. U. will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. Frank Chandler on Main St.

Mrs. M. H. Blaisdell of Providence, R. I., was a guest at E. C. Bowler's, Monday.

Myrton Andrew Bryant, Bowdoin, '04, has been elected president of the Junior class.

Miss Allora Flint of Wentworth Location, N. H., has returned to her studies at the Academy.

H. P. Wheeler of Gilad was among the out of town people to attend the Masonic installation.

Miss Olive Wheeler went to Gilad, Monday, to attend the wedding of her uncle, H. P. Wheeler.

Mrs. A. M. Farwell was called to West Bethel Flat, last Saturday, by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Dolly Ann Mills.

Mrs. Newhall of Andover, visited Miss Angie Chapman last week and Miss Chapman returned home with her for a few days' visit.

The two small children of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown have been very ill the past week with whooping cough and inflammation of the bowels.

Is there anyone in this vicinity who does not know that we are having the coldest of cold weather. Thermometer ranged from 12° to 22° below Tuesday morning.

Frank Stearns of Shawnee, Okla., who came to Maine to eat turkey with his father's family at South Paris, and made his sister, Mrs. E. C. Park, a brief visit, returned at her home last week.

A representative of the Eastman Kodak Co., will give a demonstration of the Kodak machine at Wiley's Drug store, Thursday afternoon from 2 to 6 o'clock. All interested are invited to be present.

With the mercury 22 degrees below zero, and the wind howling like all possessed, Monday night was pronounced by all who pretend to know, to be one of the wildest nights for years.

Ernest Cross' father, who resides in Albany, recently shot a fine deer, which is not strange until we consider that Mr. Cross has lost his right arm, and pulled the trigger with his left hand.

The Ladies' Church Aid will hold a Christmas Sale in Odd Fellows store Tuesday, Dec. 16. Both useful and fancy articles suitable for Christmas gifts, as well as home-made candy, will be on sale. In connection, from 6 to 8 o'clock, our annual Pie Supper will be served, commencing with chicken and other meat pie; pie in great variety and abundance will be provided. Remember the date, Dec. 16, and take supper with us.

The Columbian Club will meet Saturday, Dec. 13, at 3 p. m., with Mrs. C. F. Lord.

Mrs. Taylor and son Harry were down from Wild River, Monday, returning Tuesday.

Mrs. J. U. Purington returned from Andover, Mass., Tuesday, after a visit of two weeks.

The Ladies' Church Aid will meet on Thursday of this week with Mrs. W. D. Hastings.

School at the brick building opened Monday, but owing to the severe cold and inadequate heating, was adjourned.

Bursting water pipes caused a great amount of discomfort and some damage in several places in the village yesterday.

A. M. Edwards of Syracuse, N. Y., was in town last week, looking after his lumbering interests, and to visit his father, Col. Edwards.

The Ladies' Club as previously announced, will hold a Christmas sale at Garland Chapel Thursday afternoon. Various things, useful and ornamental, will be on sale at that time, all appropriate items for Christmas gifts. Among them will be found a very nice line of calendars, and Bethel souvenir post cards. Unlike most sales there will be found at this sale, nice things to be given away; the ladies are enabled to do this through the courtesy of different manufacturing concerns. A Cake Sale will be appended.

It is doubtful if there is a person in the village or one among those who have passed through Main street, who has not noticed the beautiful window display of Edward King. Seldom does one see such an artistic arrangement of goods as is there shown and it is well worth one's time to give it more than a passing glance. Mr. King's good judgment and skill in selecting goods is further verified by entering his store. He is always progressive, rather ahead than behind the times, and his stock of Christmas goods includes, beside a full line of goods usually found in a jewelry store, many novelties useful and pleasing. His line of pyrographic novelties will please all customers, and those who do not know just what to buy will make no mistake in selecting gifts from this line of goods. Each year Mr. King's trade increases and this fact allows him to enlarge his stock of goods until now it is hard to find a village store with such a complete line of goods. Be sure and call at this popular store between now and Christmas.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Large Stock of Watches at King's.

Buy her a ring for Christmas. King has a fine stock.

Bracelets, all kinds at King's.

Holiday goods at Miss Stearns', Main St.

Owing to the stormy weather Miss Burnham will continue the sale of felt hats.

Bracelets, all kinds at King's.

See the Burnt Wood King has on display.

During this cold weather it is handy to have a thermometer. See King's line.

Mrs. W. F. Staples wishes to say that she has moved into Moses Mason's rent near the hotel, and is prepared to do dressmaking, and would be glad to meet old, as well as new customers.

Jewelry of all kinds, and prices at Geo. T. Lawrence's.

Those "Daily Reminders," "Lest We Forget" and "Line-a-Day" books at L. C. Hall's, are just the things that you have been, or ought to have been, looking for. Don't fail to see them.

See Geo. T. Lawrence's line of Watches, Clocks, Silverware, etc., before purchasing elsewhere.

Mr. C. Pool recently killed a six-months-old porker which weighed 325 pounds. This pig was fed on the International Stock Food for sale by E. H. Young.

ONLY TWELVE MORE BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE

CHRISTMAS

My Holiday Stock this year is larger than ever before and the new designs in both Jewelry and Silver will appeal to artistic persons. I used much care this year in selecting my stock, and not only have a fine assortment of some of the best goods the market affords, but many of my goods are much lower in price than at city stores.

WATCHES

An unusually fine selection of Ladies' Watches, at prices that place them in reach of all, from nickel cased ones, at \$4.50 to solid gold, at \$25.00 to \$30.00

BOYS' WATCHES

What boy does not long for a Watch, and is not Christmas a good time to supply him? From \$1.00 to \$10.00

GENTLEMEN'S WATCHES

Cased in nickel, silver and gold filled. Waltham, Elgin, and Hamilton movements, and artistic cases, \$5.00 to \$50.00

CHAINS

A vest chain any man would be pleased to own, latest styles, single vest and Dickens' 75 cts. to \$6.00

Ladies' Lorgnette Chains

Large variety of patterns, in fine gold filled, soldered links and solid gold slides, \$1.60 to \$6.50

NECK CHAINS

Both the long and short Chains, \$1.50 to \$4.00

LOCKETS

For one, two, or four pictures; \$1.35 to \$2.75

SCARF PINS

Both Ladies' and Gentlemen. Many new designs, solid gold, silver, and plated, 25 cents to \$4.50

Brooches and Chatelaine Pins

Many styles. Sure to please. What girl has too many brooches? 50 cents to \$4.00

BRACELETS

Chain Bracelets, Adjustable Bracelets, Silver Netherlands Bracelets 50 cents to \$5.00

RINGS

My stock of Rings is carefully selected from all the latest designs, and one who cannot be suited from my store, is indeed hard to satisfy. Diamond, Opals, Garnet, Emeralds, Pearls, Turquoise, Amethyst, Topaz, etc., in Ladies' Rings, \$1.50, up Children's and Babies Rings, 75 cents to \$2.00. Gentlemen's Stone Rings, \$2.00 to \$7.00. Plain Band, Engraved, and Wedding Rings, \$1.50 to \$5.00

THIMBLES

Silver and Gold band Thimbles, A useful gift, 25 cents to \$1.25

CUT GLASS

A few choice pieces bought direct from manufacturers, at much less than city prices, \$3.50 to \$8.00

PYROGRAPHIC GOODS

The demand I had for BURNT WOOD in the summer, led me to arrange for a large line for Holiday Gifts, consisting of

Picture Frames,
Comb and Brush Trays,
Hand Mirrors,
Brushes,
Pin Trays,
Jewel Boxes,

Paper Knives,
Twine Boxes,
Collar Boxes,
Fancy Boxes,
Nut Bowls,
Teapot Stands,

Napkin Rings,
Burnt Leather Dollies, etc.

THERMOMETERS

More of the popular "Cat Thermometers," in fancy Burnt Wood Frames, from 50 cts. to \$1 Silver Mounted Thermometers, 85 cents to \$2.00

Plain Enamel Ones, 40 cents to 50 cents

A Thermometer combines beauty and use. All guaranteed accurate.

Sterling Silver Novelties

These have been one of the best selling articles in past seasons. This year I offer some new styles and some of the Staple Patterns in Blotters, Darners, Scissors, Button-hooks, Paper Knives, Files, Letter Openers, Toilet Articles, Ebony Brushes, etc., 30 cents, up.

Silver Plated Hollow-ware Baking Dishes, Tea Sets, Child's Mugs, Napkin Rings, Fruit Dishes, Jewel Cases, Cracker Jars and many other articles to please the eye of the Ladies.

STERLING SILVER

Tea, Table, and Dessert Spoons, Fancy Forks and Spoons, Souvenir Spoons, etc.

CLOCKS

Nickel, Gilt, Oak, Black Clocks; \$1.00 to \$10.00

There is not room to mention all the desirable gifts that can be found in my stock, but a visit to my store will give you many ideas for your gift list. It is needless to say the ones who come early have the best choice, and you can have your selections laid aside for you until you desire them.

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GRAND TRUNK SYSTEM

Time Table in Effect Sept. 28, 1902.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

Island Pond, leave,	A. M.	P. M.
Gorham,	4.00	8.20 3.00
Gilead,	...	8.38 3.33
West Bethel,	...	8.47 3.44
BETHEL, arrive,	4.45	8.53 3.50
Lockes Mills,	...	9.00 4.00
Bryant Pond,	5.05	9.05 4.10
South Paris,	5.36	9.30 4.46
Lewiston,	6.40	10.30 5.30
Portland, arrive,	7.30	11.15 6.15
Boston, via rail,	A. M.	P. M.
Boston, via boat,	10.15	4.10 9.00

TRAINS GOING WEST.

Portland, leave,	A. M.	P. M.
Lewiston,	8.15	1.30 7.00
South Paris,	9.00	2.30 7.50
Bryant Pond,	10.00	3.38 8.47
Lockes Mills,	10.28	4.10 9.18
BETHEL, arrive,	10.35	4.18 9.26
West Bethel,	10.46	4.42 9.46
Gilead,	11.05	4.54 9.53
Gorham,	11.38	5.40 10.25
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50 1.00
Montreal,	6.50	...
Toronto,	6.50	...
Chicago,	8.45	...

The train leaving Bethel at 4.45 A. M. East and 9.37 P. M. West, run every day; all others every day except Sunday. Sunday paper train leaves Portland at 8.30 A. M., arriving at Bethel 11.12 A. M., and at Berlin, 12.15 A. M. Returning leave Berlin at 4.00 P. M.

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Ladies' and Gents' Boots, Shoes, and Rubbers.
Shoe Dressings of all kinds.
Rubber and Leather Cement.
Sole Leather by the side.
Crocheted Slipper Soles.
Repairing promptly attended to.

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MAIN ST., BETHEL.PERFUMES
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The finest odors from HUDNUT, RICKSECKER, PALMER, STEARNS, EASTMAN AND HESS. In fancy packages or by the ounce. The best assortment in Oxford County, can be found at the Pharmacy of

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Latiolais hesitated, then consented, and the three proceeded to the one storied public house of the village, where in the back room they were joined by the brothers Tailleur of Isle de Cote, and, supplied by Dede, the stunted, swarthy, pock pitted proprietor, with cards, chips, rum and whisky toddies, they were soon absorbed in the problems of American poker. Quillebert was not without ulterior aim in his proposal. He was confident of Laure Luneau's election should no especial activity be displayed in her rival's interest and concluded that the surest means to prevent that would be to seduce her champion from the field; hence he set about to make the game unusually attractive by betting boldly and drinking freely, and in a measure his tactics proved successful, for soon the attention of the players was so engrossed that they were unconscious of the flight of time and the passing of many buggies and troops of horsemen over the coulee bridge into the one street of Mansura.

To the surprise and, it must be admitted, the disappointment of Father



Bestowed the name "St. Cécile."

Grhe, Oakfell did not appear at the fair. The priest feared he had forgotten his pledge of support to Estelle given at the house of the ferryman at Bayou du Lac on the night he so narrowly escaped death. But he took heart when at 4 o'clock he saw Val-sin ride in at the head of seven neighbors from the Bordelon slough and lead them to the poll for Estelle, and ten more from Lac de la Penne marched up in the same interest, and these followed at short intervals by dozens and twenties from Choupinque, Cottonport, Pointe Midi and a company of non-Catholics from Evergreen and the surrounding plantations, and learned that every one of these late comers deposited a vote for the granddaughter of Latiolais.

The game at Dede's was running high, and the strong drink had taken possession of the players, when at 6 o'clock a cheer from the schoolhouse fell upon their ears. They knew the priests had counted the vote and announced the result, and the cheer was for the victor. Quillebert doubted not she was Laure, and, hastily gathering in the winnings, which, as usual, had fallen his way, he proceeded with his companions to learn the exact figures. His heavy eyes and purpling face took on an expression of cruel exultation. Latiolais lagged behind as if loath to hear the decision.

Seeing Father Grhe in the doorway of the schoolhouse, Quillebert called: "What's the majority, father?" "Seventeen," the priest said.

"Is that all?" said Quillebert coarsely. "At 1 o'clock she had 22 over Estelle Latiolais."

"Who had?" asked the priest. "Laure Luneau," shouted Quillebert. "But Estelle Latiolais has now 17 votes over Laure Luneau, and the poll is closed. Estelle Latiolais is elected godmother of the bell," said Father Grhe.

Quillebert's features fairly quivered with rage, but his exclamation, no doubt profane, was drowned by the renewed cheer from the crowd, while old Latiolais' white face was wet with tears of joy, unexpected and unmerited.

The fast falling darkness speeded the dispersion of the assemblage, and the choosing of the church bell's sponsor was a scored event in the history of the parish.

The christening day of the bell was the most perfect of that incomparably lovely season, the Louisiana spring. The pale blue sky had not a deck in it. The bosom of the little prairie was spread with velvety green sprinkled with buttercups and violets, and on the edges of coulees bright willows rocked in the gentle breeze. The lanes were bordered by walls of dark cherokee vines which white roses glared in the sunlight. The cones dotting stretching branches of pecans were opening in light hued leaves, while afar in the swamp above the bluish gray festoons of Spanish moss could be seen the feathery fringes which later would be plumes in the crowns of royal cypresses. The soft air was scented with jasmine, china flower and sweet gum and rang with the joyous song of the mocking bird.

The bell, secured upon the stoutest of plantation wagons, drawn by six sleek mules, was arrayed in a robe of white swiss, set off with bands of blue satin and bunches of pink roses. A string of red coral, the gift of the god-mother, encircled its brow, above which was a wreath of white magnolia blooms. The wagon was clothed in white cotton cloth, the harness of the mules decked out with knots and bows of ribbon, and the herculean black who drove them was attired in his holiday raiment, with a broad red sash across his chest.

The cortege escorting the bell in its progress of six miles from the warehouse at Marksville to the church at Mansura was composed of full 200 persons on horses, in buggies and afoot. It was headed by Elol Durant, the ancient volunteer sacristan, bearing aloft a banner of blue silk on which was embroidered in yellow the name of the sodality society. Following him rode Homer Debellevue, holding a tall, slender wooden cross painted white and garlanded with flowers. A dozen younger men with silk banners inscribed with sacred legends formed a cavalcade preceding the carriage of Father Grhe, who in black robe and cap, white surplice and gilded stole sat between two acolytes gownned in red and white and carrying censer burners. On each side of the wagon six horsemen sashed with blue rode as a guard of honor to the bell and then the fair sponsor in an open conveyance seated beside her grandfather. She was attired in white, a thin veil over her hair and shoulders, and held a nosegay of large white roses in her lap. A sweet, childish face, brown hair and hazel eyes distinguished the victor of the contest, a girl of 15, gentle, shrinking and blushing. On a roan pony at the side of the carriage a young mulatto woman rode and screened the face of her mistress with a sunshade. The cavalcade closed with vehicles, in which were many women, matrons and maidens, and a long line of white youths and negroes marching afoot came after.

As the procession wound past the Marksville church the bell in the tower, rung by Father Chaline himself, greeted its new sister with a merry peal, while all the men uncovered their heads.

Arrived at Mansura, the bell was reverently lifted and hung in the sheltered temporary scaffolding which had been provided for it at the church front, and around it the people arranged themselves in a wide circle. Two trays of white roses were placed on the scaffold, an acolyte brought from within the church the silver vessel of holy water and sprinkler, the aromatic gums in the censers were lighted from live coals, and Father Grhe, reading the words of dedication and bathing bell and flowers with incense and blessed water, bestowed the name "St. Cécile," chosen by the sponsor. Estelle sang a sweet "Ave Maria" in a voice so fresh and musical that it reached the hearts of all, and the very birds seemed to cease their warblings to catch its tender melody. She repeated after the priest her sponsorial vow of unfailing solicitude for the bell, to care for it and protect it and pray that it should be the ever eloquent messenger summoning increasing numbers to the worship of God.

"Gloria In Excelsis Deo" was sung by the choir, after which Estelle emptied the trays of flowers over the bell and distributed them among the throng, by whom they were now regarded as especial aids to holiness.

As the sinking sun touched the rim of the swamp forest the chime from the spire at Marksville came floating over the prairie on the moistening evening air. Estelle stood before the scaffold, and all heads were reverently bowed. Father Grhe, with padded hammer, struck three mellow notes upon the side of the bell.

"The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary," sweetly chanted Estelle.

"And she conceived of the Holy Ghost," came the response from the choir.

Again the strokes fell gently. "Behold the handmaid of the Lord," the girl intoned. "Be it done unto me according to thy word," answered all. Twice more the musical waves rose in undulating ascent skyward. "And the word was made flesh," she sang, with a graceful genuflection, in which the multitude joined, replying: "And dwelt among us."

The bell of Mansura had tolled its first Angelus.

CHAPTER IV.
AT "L'ESPERANCE."

"L'ESPERANCE" was a fair domain of 1,800 acres, which, with slaves, live stock, mills, gins and implements had descended to Laure Oakfell from his mother at her death in 1837. She as sole heir had inherited from her father, Colonel Bixlow. A thousand acres were under fence and in culture of sugar, cotton and corn; the remainder was woodland. A yield of two hogheads of sugar and five barrels of molasses per acre by the open kettle process of reduction then in vogue and 500 pounds of lint cotton to a like area attested the prodigious fertility of the fields.

Oakfell's father endured widowedhood a year and married Fidele Gaspard, a Spanish looking girl of 16, daughter of Antoine Gaspard, who, it was said, had escaped from Paris with a price on his head after the fall of Danton and who was remembered as a man of cruel aspect, taciturn and furtive, as one haunted by a terrible fear or horrible memory. He was shiftless and poor, but his daughter was humble, pious and beautiful. She was mistress of "L'Esperance" six years, ministering to her stepson as to a superior being, and on her deathbed prayerfully besought his interest and protection for her own little boy, Evariste, whom she left at the dependent age of 5 years. Mme. Fidele was universally loved and by none with greater fervor than by Horace. The fullness of his boyish affection he transferred to the half brother, now like himself motherless, and generously assumed responsibility for his welfare. The demise of their father in 1854 gave to this assumption the character and obligations of actuality.

Evariste was dark and beautiful as his mother. His figure was slight and exquisite, with hands and feet small and delicate, like a woman's. Neither the squirrel nor the swallow surpassed him in agility and gracefulness, but his manner was unobtrusive, secretive, and, avoiding playmates, he was ever content to be alone. His eyes were black, his lips thin and firm.

To these sons the father had left nothing but a debt owed in Kentucky for blooded horses, which Horace speedily discharged. Evariste was portionless; his brother bade him consider himself half owner of all the estate and assured him that partition should be made on his attaining majority, or as soon thereafter as he might deem it desirable, and made unstinted expenditure for his maintenance and education. The elder's fraternal love was sobered by paternal solicitude relieved of all austerity. The difference between the ages of the two was five years, Evariste being 19 when Horace was sent to the legislature.

[To be continued.]

IT MATTERS NOT

How Sick You Are or How Many
Physicians Have Failed to Help
You.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy will
Cure if a Cure is Possible.

Doctors are not infallible and there are many instances where they have decided a case was hopeless and then the patients astonished everyone by getting well and the sole cause of their cure was Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. A case in point is that of James Lettuce of Conajoharie, N. Y., who writes:

"Some years ago I was attacked with pains in my back and side that were fearful in the extreme. I could not control my kidneys at all and what came from them was mucous and blood. I was in a terrible state and suffered intensely. The partner of Dr. Vander-veer of Albany, N. Y., decided that an operation was all that would save me. I dreaded that and commenced to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. I felt better almost instantly. When I had taken about two bottles, the flow from the bladder was much clearer, the pain stopped, and I was saved from the surgeon's knife and am now well."

Dr. W. H. Morse, the famous physician of Westfield, N. J., has this to say of this great medicine: "I have known it to cure chronic inflammation of the kidneys, where the attending physician pronounced the case incurable."

No form of kidney, liver, bladder or blood disease, or the distressing sickness so common to women, can long withstand the great curative power of this famous specific. "A small quantity of this wonderful medicine has more curative power than barrels of other remedies," says a prominent New York physician. Its record of cures has made it famous in medical circles everywhere.

All druggists sell Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy in the New 50 Cent Size and the regular \$1.00 bottle.

Sample bottle—enough for trial, free by mail.

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Cosmetic For the Hands.

White wax, one-quarter ounce; spermaceti, two and one-half ounces; oil of sweet almonds, two and one-half ounces; rosewater, one and one-half ounces; attar of roses, one drop. Melt the wax and spermaceti in a porcelain kettle. Add the almond oil and beat slowly. Remove from the stove and add the rosewater. Be sure to measure your ingredients exactly, for otherwise you will find that the cream is not smooth.

Characteristic of Woman.

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The Baby Carriage.

When it becomes necessary to wash the baby carriage, put a tablespoonful of salt into lukewarm water and use this in connection with sand soap and a small scrubbing brush. The salt prevents the reeds from turning yellow.

Washing Valuable Rugs.

A writer in Good Housekeeping urges against the practice of putting valuable rugs on the line every two or three weeks and beating the dust and, one is almost tempted to say, the very life out of them. Perhaps this is not generally known: "When the surface becomes soiled, it can be washed with no fear of injuring the colors, since the majority of oriental rugs are washed repeatedly before reaching this country, and the dyes used are thereby mellowed and enriched. The best method of washing a large rug is to stretch and tack it upon a clean floor, then scour it well with soap suds. After the scouring it must be thoroughly rinsed to remove all trace of the animal matter in the soap, after which it should not be removed until it is perfectly dried. Then it will not shrink and will lie perfectly flat upon the floor. A small rug may be tacked upon the side of the house or barn, scoured as if on a floor and then rinsed with the hose."

Be Just With Children.

Be just with the children, and you will gain their respect. A broken will is about as useless as a shattered teacup, while a strong will trained to obey is the most valuable possession a child can have.

Never threaten unless you intend to perform, and don't scold. Explain briefly to the child why it is at fault, punish at once and forgive freely, never referring to the matter again.

A smart, light slap is the most effective argument to use with a child under three or four.

Except for cruelty or an exceptionally gross fault an older child should never be touched.

If a child is persistently fractious and unreasonable, presume it is ill and send it to bed and administer a dose of licorice powder.

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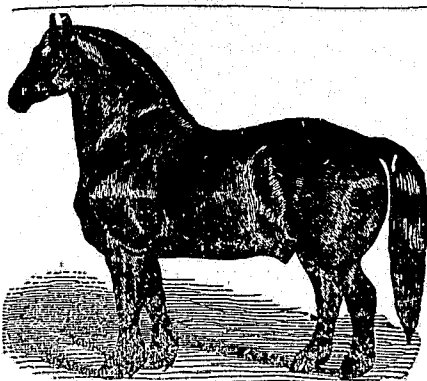
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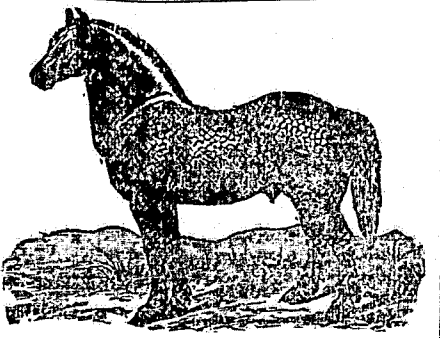
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The sun may cease to shine
For thee ere earth shall greet its morn.
Be earnest then, in thought and deed,
Nor fear approaching night;
Calm comes with evening light,
And hope and peace thy duty heed to-day.

—Ruskin.

Where are the Boys and Girls I Gave Thee?

M. M.

I am sadly conscious that thousands of mothers are so overburdened that the actual demands of life, from day to day, consume all their time and strength. But "of two evils choose the least," and which would you call the least, an untalented boy, or an unpolished stove? Dirty windows or a child whose confidence you have failed to gain? Cobwebs in the corner, or a son over whose soul a crust has formed so strong that you despair of melting it with your hot tears and fervent prayers?

I have seen a woman who was absolutely ignorant of her children's habits of thought, who never felt that she could spare a half hour to read or to talk to them. I have seen this woman spend ten minutes ironing a sheet—there were six of them in the washing—one hour in fluting the ruffles on her little girl's "sweet white suit," thirty minutes in polishing tins that were already bright and clean; forty minutes in frosting and decorating a cake for tea, because company was expected. When the mother, a good orthodox woman, shall be judged for "deeds done in the body, and to give in her report of the Master's treasures placed in her care," there will be questions and answers like these:

"Where are the boys and girls I gave thee?"

"Lord, I was busy keeping my house clean and in order, and my children wandered away."

"Where wert thou while thy sons and daughters were learning lessons of dishonesty, malice and impurity?"

"Lord, I was polishing furniture and ruffling dresses, and making beautiful rugs!"

"What hast thou to show for thy life work?"

"The tidiest house, Lord, and the best starching and ironing in the neighborhood!"

Oh, these children! these children! The restless boys and girls whom we love more than our own lives! Shall we devote our time and strength to that which perisheth, while the rich garden of our child's soul lies neglected, with fowl weeds choking all worthy and beautiful growths? Shall we exalt the incidentals of life to the rank of a purpose, to the shutting out of that work whose results reach far beyond the skies? Fleeting, O mother, are the days of childhood, and speckless windows, snowy linen, the consciousness that everything about the house is faultlessly bright and clean, will be poor comfort in that day where-in we shall discover that our boy's feet have chosen the path that shall take him out of the way to all eternity.

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Carlyle said: "The true university is a collection of books," and the person who makes a wise choice as regards the books which he reads, choosing only those from which he can learn something of value, will have no need to lament his lack of a college education. The vast majority of men and women read very little literature upon historical and scientific subjects. A great deal can be learned from the reading of good novels, but only a small percentage of one's reading should be spent upon fiction if the best results are to be attained. If a person will read good books upon history, science, etc., it will not be

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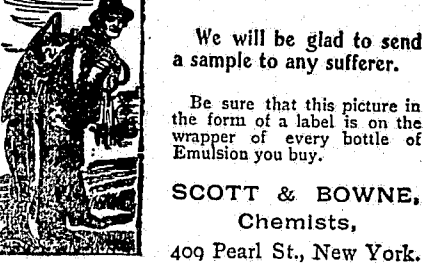
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long before the wisdom of such a course becomes apparent. The man or woman who is determined to succeed will certainly be successful. Carlyle said "that genius is an immense capacity for taking trouble." There are many men whom the world considers exceptionally brilliant, but whose success is due, not to any exceptional gifts, but to their determination to succeed. Whoever is determined to possess a liberal education can secure the object of his desires in spite of all difficulties. Of course, it is well, if a person can do so, to attend college, but the many distinguished men and women who have secured a liberal education outside college walls show that in this age of books an education is not beyond the grasp of the man or woman of even the most limited opportunities.

Women's Rudeness to Women.

"In the exhibition of inconsiderateness and bad manners women," says E. F. Benson in the New Liberal Review, "are toward members of their own sex more grievous offenders than men are toward men. If a man is pointedly rude to another man he runs certain risks; terse, brief remarks may be given him in exchange which will make his ears tingle, or even without speech passing he may be made to tingle more directly. Consequently in ordinary society men are as a rule decently polite to each other. But the insolence of a woman well-bred in her conduct to the other sex can be a thing to shudder at when one of her own is concerned. This in its more blatant and terrific aspects is easily observable in public places like steamers or railway carriages."

"A train, let us say, is on the point of starting, and two women are in possession of an otherwise empty compartment. On the vacant seats are arranged, with a precision that would delight the heart of Ibsen, handbags, mantles, a pet dog, and a simmering tea basket. Enter at the last moment another woman, in a fever heat of fuss, with the same pleasant impedimenta. Skirts are drawn hastily aside, as if her touch were leprous, but not a movement is made to make a place for her unless she goes to the door to remove the mantles and sit where they have been. Then, indeed another hand hastily anticipates her plague touch, and in frowning silence, beneath a battery of freezing glances, a seat is cleared for her."

"Now, with all their brusqueness men are not quite as bad as this.

The intrusion is a bore, no doubt, but the intruder is not necessarily regarded as having just arrived from a convict prison or a cholera-stricken city. No doubt he is not wanted, but the silence that shouts this knowledge at him is not of so appalling an order as that which greets a woman among women. The others will not talk to him, it is true, but that is mainly because talking in a railway carriage is a habit that severs the friendship of years.

"Again, in more intimate circles, the unwelcome guest who is of those who leave the diningroom first is probably worse off among the women in the drawingroom than, if he is a man, he will be later in the smokingroom. The man at any rate is given a cigar, which is certainly more to his taste than the book of photographs which may be handed to the woman, or even the piano on which she may be invited to play. The cold shoulder of a woman, in fact, is colder and more calculated than the corresponding piece of anatomy in a man, and feminine rudeness is more feline and more merciless than masculine brusqueness. At least, so it strikes a male."

Don't Overshampoo.

It is easy to carry shampooing to the point of harmful excess, but perhaps, no other regimen ever did so much harm as that dietum launched upon the credulous which prescribed a hundred strokes of the brush eight and morning, as a sovereign remedy for scanty, dry or falling locks. When these strokes are administered with a wire hairbrush it becomes a destroying rake, pulling out the hair and setting up an inflammation in the hair follicles fatal to their health. But these hundred strokes, even when given with bristle brushes, if applied with the searching strength commonly commended, so as to penetrate to the scalp are detrimental to the integrity of the hair structure.

Fortunately, the practice of massage, which stimulates by gentle, firm pressure, without irritation, is generally taking the place of overbrushing; and the use of the brush is being restored to its legitimate office, which is that of a polisher to spread over the hair natural oil exuding upon the scalp, giving it a satin gloss and also to cleanse it of the atmospheric dirt and dust.—Express.

Character in Letters.

A letter may be effusive in words of regard, but shop-worn paper, pale ink and slovenly, illegible handwriting will speak much louder of carelessness and discourtesy; just as carefully selected paper, black ink and clear handwriting convey an impression of the courtesy, good breeding and refinement of the writer. The dotting of an *i*, crossing of a *t*, a careful punctuation mark, or a stamp placed evenly and correctly may be trifles in themselves, but they speak volumes for the faithfulness and thoughtfulness of the correspondent.

A young girl who received a miserably scrawled note from her sweetheart, asked herself with some forebodings:

"Can I trust my happiness with a man who writes like that?"

The handsome young lover, however, was more persuasive with his eyes and lips than with his pen, and the girl finally married him. The wife endured many discomforts and vexations from the heedlessness and thoughtlessness of her husband, and often remembered the warning which had been given her in his love-letters.

A reverse story is that of a beauty whose betrothed adorned her until his absence required some correspondence, when her scribbly, slovenly, heartless letters wrought a complete disillusion, and the friendship was broken.

"I took no pains with my letters for I did not care," she confided to a friend. "And now I would give the world to have him back."

But it was too late. The impression of her character sent forth in those careless letters could never be recalled.

It helps one in character-building to avoid even an appearance of weakness, as, for example, profuse apologies, which are so often insincere and usually indicate some defect in the writer's character, such as indolence, subtle conceit or affectation.

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Fine, flowery rhetoric, like vulgar display in dress, springs from ignorance and lack of training, and gives the impression of vanity and insincerity. Simple sincerity is a great charm in letter-writing, and we can all be simple and sincerely true.

Prattiness, melancholy and fault-finding should be avoided in letter-writing, if for no other reason than that they portray the writer's selfishness and weakness. In brightness and good cheer, in the determination to look for light and not darkness, is revealed the strongest character, and it is the bright, cheerful letter-writers who are a spiritual power and force in the world to-day.

How to Prevent Croup.

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Goodwin Cole shot a fine doe on Friday or Saturday of last week.

John Wilson and Wesley Poole of Shelburne, N. H., were in town on Sunday of last week.

F. L. Ordway and wife dined on Thanksgiving day at the Willis house in Gorham, N. H.

Miss Estella Lary and Miss Alice Bisbee of Shelburne, N. H., were in town on Tuesday of last week.

Edith C. Farwell is taking lessons upon the piano under the instruction of Miss Estella Lary of Shelburne.

B. F. Hicks and wife of South Paris, and Myron Maxim, a brother of Mrs. Hicks, recently visited friends in town.

At 12:45 a. m. December 1, an accident occurred on the Grand Trunk railroad just below Gilead station, requiring the presence of the wrecking crew from Gorham.

Asa K. Bennett has moved his family from the house he has for a time occupied, belonging to Albert Bennett, into the one long the residence of, and still owned by Mrs. Lizzie F. Morse of South Paris.

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10, 1902.

If the magazines could live up to the prospectuses they publish every December the world would have a stock of masterpieces larger than that left from all previous centuries.

The charity organizations of New York City are setting a good example to the rest of the country in establishing a "Beggars' Gallery" where photographs of professional mendicants will be kept.

With few exceptions, the leaders of mankind come from the ranks of the comparatively poor and from the country. The reason seems to be that only by struggle, by persistency in effort is adequate development reached.

The unrest of the world is not because of sin, but its unhappiness is. Unrest is the normal condition of life and advancement, but life and advancement is always pleasurable unless the laws governing them have been or are violated.

Some of the poorer people in Germany use goose grease instead of butter and the supply is not equal to the demand. Last year Germany imported 6,431,277 live geese besides raising an enormous number.

The nature books that are coming from the great publishers now are clean, wholesome and full of meaty information. They hold the attention of young and old folks alike and your boy cannot hurt himself by reading all he wants of them.

A cascade that has a sheer fall of 978 feet has been discovered in the Sierra Madre Mountains of Mexico. As the water makes its leap it is two feet deep and ten feet wide, but the fall is so great that it is turned into spray before the bottom is reached.

During the war many men hired substitutes to fill their place in the ranks of the defeated, but in China they have developed the system to such an extent that a man condemned to death may, by bribing the Mandarin get a substitute to be beheaded in his stead.

If the time is not ripe to change the system of heating at the brick school building when will it be? It has been proven beyond question that the system is absolutely wrong and some action should be taken at our next annual meeting to have things made right. The four teachers and one hundred and fifty pupils who abide there are too valuable to be frozen to death.

In the Review of Reviews for December there is a comprehensive editorial summary of the political situations in all the States. The results of the November elections are carefully analyzed with reference to their bearings on national policies. The editor also discusses the proposition for the admission of new States in the Southwest—the first subject of debate at this session of Congress—and offers cogent reasons in support of the plan for the division of United States Senators. Other important topics of the month—in foreign as well as domestic politics—are treated with the Review's accustomed thoroughness and accuracy of judgment.

STATE NEWS.

It was a dead election in Ward Nine, Portland, Friday—very Hersey.

A child, one year old, at Biddeford, has been stricken with small pox.

The Bates Street Universalist church of Lewiston has been sold, and a fine new structure will take its place in the near future.

Fire on Sunday damaged to considerable extent the house in Portland occupied by Portland's two senators, Hon. Harry Virgin and Hon. Charles H. Randall.

Charles E. Jordan, a prosperous farmer of Cape Elizabeth, was thrown from his cart on Monday of last week, by his horse shying, and his neck was broken. Mr. Jordan was aged 72.

The coroner's jury of Cornish, has completed its investigations of the murder of Miss Olive H. Broad, August 21, 1902, and rendered a verdict that she came to her death by violence at the hands of some person or persons to the jury unknown.

Greenleaf and Doring, well-known lumber contractors of Lewiston, made an assignment last week with liabilities of \$40,000. They were engaged on a contract at the new mills in Windsor Mills, Que., which they left partly completed, and they have a large number of creditors in Windsor Mills and Sherbrooke. It is said that their failure is due to losses on contracts in the States.

Ambrose H. Fessenden, the Portland postoffice stamping clerk, was arrested Wednesday night on a charge of larceny of valuable letters from mails. Marked money is said to have been found in his possession when he was searched in the assistant postmaster's office. He denied that he had taken it from a letter. He has been employed as stamping clerk in the postoffice 16 years. He is 54 years of age, and has a wife and two children.

James G. Rawley of Rockland, who was burned as the result of a lamp explosion, died after a week of suffering. In the same accident Mr. Rawley's year-old boy was also terribly burned, but probably will survive. His life was saved by Mr. Rawley, who, while a mass of flames himself, held the child's head in a mud puddle until the fire was extinguished. Mr. Rawley was 62 years of age, and is survived by a widow.

E. C. Dudley of Lewiston, has received a cablegram from Tokio, announcing the death of Hon. Alfred E. Buck, United States envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Japan. Minister Buck was appointed from Georgia, but is a Maine man. His wife is the daughter of Judge Baker of Hallowell, and Mrs. E. C. Dudley of Augusta, and Mattie Baker Dunn are his sisters.

Mrs. Hattie L. Whitten of Dexter, who was arrested Saturday on suspicion of having poisoned her 9-year-old daughter, from whose funeral she had just returned, committed suicide Sunday, by hanging from a bedpost, while in the custody of Deputy Sheriff Leslie Curtis. Her death ends, as far as the law can be invoked, a case which, although just brought to notice, from the suspicion held against Mrs. Whitten, promised to be as sensational as any inquired into in Maine for a long time. Mrs. Whitten was suspected of having caused the death of an elder daughter, aged 11, on September 19 last, and this body has been exhumed. The causes of the deaths of the children were given in the certificate as meningitis and heart failure, respectively, and as the end came suddenly in both instances it is pointed out that Mrs. Whitten's husband died suddenly two years ago. At that time there was talk by the people of the town about Mr. Whitten's death being peculiar, but no inquiry was made. The lives of the two children were insured for sums aggregating \$141.

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A typewriter for the pocket is one of the latest bits of American ingenuity, specially designed to meet the requirements of journalists and authors who need to take notes under conditions where a pencil and paper would not be convenient. It may be worked without removing the hands from the pocket. It is four inches long by three wide.

Charles J. Swanson, a successful manufacturer of Minneapolis, celebrated his silver wedding a few days ago. His employees called to congratulate Mr. Swanson and his wife. As each employee shook his employer's hand he received an envelope. In each envelope was a deed of 40 acres of improved land in Anoka County, Minn.

The Masonic Temple at Laconia, N. H., was burned Saturday morning following a terrific explosion which first must have entirely wrecked the structure. The loss is \$125,000 and almost total to the occupants. The temple was of four stories in height and was built in 1894 at a cost of \$90,000. The Laconia Hardware Co. occupied half the basement and half the street floor and its loss is \$18,000; Knight and Huntress, dry goods, had a loss of \$25,000.

Samuel Carson has been found dead in his hut far up in Santa Monica Canon, Cal. He had been bitten by a spider. He was about 83 years of age and claimed to be a son of the renowned Kit Carson. For many years the old man had lived at the head of Rustic Canon, with only his horses and dogs for company. Before taking up his abode in the mountains it is said that Carson had a most picturesque career as a pioneer gold hunter, Indian fighter and adventurer.

A memorial tablet to the late Professor T. H. Huxley was recently unveiled in the public library of Ealing, Eng., the place of the scientist's birth. The concluding lines were: "Try to learn something about everything, and everything about something"—which was what Professor Huxley himself did with very uncommon success. The subscriptions for the tablet came from far and near, one being received from an officer in the United States navy in the Philippines. Mrs. Huxley, the widow, now advanced in years was present at the ceremony of unveiling the memorial.

When the British ship Leicester Castle, from San Francisco July 26, arrived at Queenstown, Eng., last Friday, she reported that Sept. 2 three American seamen mutinied. Captain Cattle and his second officer were shot, the latter fatally, in an encounter with the mutineers, who left the ship on a raft in mid-ocean. The second officer, Mr. Nixon, was shot while attempting to rescue the captain. In the darkness the mutineers got a few planks and coops, formed a raft, and launched it from the ship which was then about 300 miles north of the Pitcairn Islands. The captain searched for the raft the next day, but it was not sighted and was supposed to have gone to pieces. The names of the mutineers are given as W. A. Hobbs, Ernest Sears, and — Turner.

M. W. Savage of Minneapolis, has bought Dan Patch for \$50,000.

Moses Buggles, aged 84, jumped in front of an express train at Athol, Mass., Monday, and was instantly killed.

Colonel Butler, St. Louis's millionaire briber, has been sentenced to prison for three years, and the municipal house-cleaning goes on hopefully.

It is understood that the President will name John Barrett of Oregon, at present commission general of the St. Louis exposition to Asia and Australia, to be minister to Japan.

It seems that we have been annexing earthquakes. Guam has had heavy shocks, causing more than \$30,000 damage to the navy department and greater losses to private interests.

The General Post Office in Washington has a high clock tower; a wild falcon has made its nest there and the building is remarkably free from the sparrows that infest the other government buildings.

Sir Edwin Arnold, though totally blind, still does some literary work. He said recently, "My condition would be a sad one without patience and resignation. I never despair, and thank heaven for my unimpaired mental powers."

A New York man was awarded six cents damages against the elevated railway, the court deciding that the road had benefited his property more than the noise and exclusion of light damaged it. We may need to revise our Thanksgiving category, and put in some things we have been calling nuisances.

Colorado has been obliged to pass a law providing that no sick person shall ride on a public conveyance unless carrying a doctor's certificate that his disease is not contagious. The great influx of consumptives seeking health in the mountains made necessary some precautions against communicating the disease in travel.

Otis W. Dutton, a 16-year-old errand boy employed in the Albion building was crushed to death by an elevator Friday. The boy attempted to enter the elevator car and slipped. The elevator boy, thinking that the boy had gotten into the car, turned on the power. Dutton was caught between the platform of the elevator and the door casing, and before the car could be stopped had been crushed to death.

After thirty-one years of construction, Philadelphia's city hall is at last nearing completion. Twenty-two persons have lost their lives in the building. The city has already outgrown it, and another story may have to be added. The building has one hundred and fourteen acres of floor space, and cost \$25,000,000. That is more than Father Penn paid for the entire State of Pennsylvania.

Three shots were fired by an anarchist at King Leopold of Belgium, on his way to the cathedral, but all missed. The would-be assassin is an Italian, lately from London, and has stated that he intended killing King Edward of England, but spared him on account of his popularity. The law makes the anarchist change his place of residence, but only the gospel that can change his heart will put a stop to his murderous attempts.

Gray's Inn, one of the best known summer hotels in the White Mountains, was burned to the ground Friday, Nov. 23, together with Woodbury hall and all outbuildings, including two cottages and the Casino. The total loss will be \$150,000, with an insurance of about \$60,000. The property was owned by Charles W. Gray, who, with his family was living at the hotel during the winter. The fire was due to a defective light wire. The hotel was a very popular summer resort and had accommodations for about 250 guests.

The Prize Doll is a great attraction.

Christmas

Some little girl will get the Prize doll for 10c.

We will be pleased to show our customers our large line of

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Handkerchiefs, from 3 cents, up. Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, Soap Boxes, Puff Boxes, Perfumes, Automizers, Toilet Sets, Money Purses, Mirrors, Pictures, Chatelaine Bags, both leather and beaded, Belts, including the popular Shoe String, Crepe Paper, Stationery, etc.

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A cash purchase to the amount of \$1.00 or more, entitles you to a guess on the Doll.

L. M. STEARNS,
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TO OUR FINE LINE OF

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Chamber Sets, Spring Beds, Mattresses, Odd Beds, Crutches, Oil Cloths, Straw Matting, etc.

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Chairs and Rockers.

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"Upon my feet, of course," we hear several indignant ladies say. But this does not answer the question as well as a glimpse of your old shoes would.

By looking at them we can tell what style of last is best suited; the one that will give the most comfort, and the best wear. We can fit your feet with

SHOES

that correct any tendency to "run down at the heels."

We carry a fine line of Ladies', Misses', and Children's shoes, and sell at pleasing prices.

Yours truly,

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Norway Maine.

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Eastern Telephone Store, 112-3. E. N. Swett's Residence, 112-12.

A bill has been introduced in the Virginia legislature imposing a fine upon people who kiss without a license to kiss. Will the solon responsible for this bill explain how such a law could be enforced? There are usually no witnesses to the act of kissing, and people who kiss do not usually tell, even when there is no law against it. There is no fool like the fool who believes that all things can be accomplished by legislation.

The War Department is about to mount the largest gun in the world, at Sandy Hook, New York harbor. When mounted it will land a projectile weighing over a ton at any place within a range of 21 miles. Its bore is 16 inches. It uses 1000 pounds of powder for a single discharge. Stood on its breach beside a three story building it would project far enough above the roof for a chimney, and lying on its side it would shield a full company of 100 soldiers. It has taken four years to build it and the cost is \$130,000. It is believed that one shot from this monster would sink any vessel entering New York harbor.

A Xmas Hint

If you are in doubt what to give, give a watch or fob chain. There's nothing more universally acceptable. In our line of

Simmons Watch Chains

you are offered a choice of the newest and most beautiful patterns at very moderate prices.

New Goods in every line I carry.

WATCHES, CHAINS, JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, SILVER

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Jeweler and Optician.

ANDOVER.

We are having winter weather. Wednesday, Dec. 3, 4 to 5 inches of snow appeared, and Friday more than 12 inches fell, followed by strong northerly and easterly winds which has made drifts. Saturday the road machine passed which has much improved the traveling. Saturday morning the thermometer was about 5 degrees above zero; Sunday morning it was nearly 5 below zero.

Friday, six wagons passed, each having deer; we counted eight of the animals.

Whitney Roberts shot a deer last week which had handsome antlers. Fred French also captured a deer last week.

Miss Bertha Poor has been spending the past week at Rumford Falls, the guest of Mrs. Chas. Howe.

Owen Waterworth has gone to South Rangeley checking lumber for Mr. Henry Porter.

Miss A. M. Elliot and Miss H. E. Hall dined with Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Dresser, on Thursday, Dec. 4. Mr. Dresser is living on the farm formerly owned by the late Emory Merrill, one of Andover's most influential men. Mr. Dresser was formerly a business man, traveling West and South. Notwithstanding this he is a most successful farmer and keeps the farm up to its former prosperous condition.

Mr. Chas. Stearns slaughtered a fine porker last week, weighing 350 pounds.

Our High school will commence its winter term Tuesday, Dec. 9. The other village schools commence Dec. 8.

Mr. Nathan Akers has accepted a position as principal of the Grammar school at Eastport. He will have one assistant.

Miss Angie Chapman of Bethel, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Newhall.

Webster Learned has been engaged as scaler to go to the Lakes for the International Paper Co.

Mr. Fred Milton has taken the contract of cutting cord wood and with a crew of men has gone to the lake region.

Mr. and Mrs. Olcott Poor left Dec. 6 for a tour. They will visit in Boston, New York, and New Jersey. This is the twentieth anniversary of their marriage.

Mr. Arthur Clark is sawing birch for James Hodgdon.

We understand that parties have bought the buildings and lumber owned by the Andover Mfg Co., and will erect a mill there in the near future.

The meeting of the King's Daughters was with Mrs. R. L. Melcher last Thursday.

Mr. Henry R. Porter, road commissioner has resigned from this position, and Mr. Charles Poor has been appointed to take his place.

The election of officers of Lone Mountain Grange for the ensuing year will take place at their next meeting, Saturday, Dec. 13.

HANOVER.

Mr. Jesse Russell passed away at his home in this village Tuesday, Dec. 2. He had been an invalid for the past two years and had failed slowly for some time. He leaves a son, Birchard, and one daughter, Mrs. O. E. Twitchell, who has lived with and cared for her father since the death of her mother two years ago, also two brothers both residents of this town. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Congdon of Newry. The floral offerings were beautiful. The deceased has held many town offices and was a member of the U. O. P. F.

Wm. Hopkins of Rumford Point, has contracted with G. L. Smith to cut the pine on the Foster place.

Miss Ada Richardson has gone back to Bethel to attend the winter term at G. A.

Mr. G. L. Smith who has been repairing his saw-mill, expects to have it in running order this week.

Cheslie Saunders has gone to Albany for the winter where he will work in the woods for his brother-in-law, M. J. Swain.

Charlie Hayford is working for Holt & Trask in Rumford.

Fred Brown and Everett Mitchell are hauling pine for G. L. Smith.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
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Catarrh.

The cause exists in the blood, in what causes inflammation of the mucous membrane.

It is therefore impossible to cure the disease by local applications.

It is positively dangerous to neglect it, because it always affects the stomach and deranges the general health, and is likely to develop into consumption.

Many have been radically and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cleanses the blood and has a peculiar alternative and tonic effect. R. Long, California Junction, Iowa, writes: "I had catarrh three years, lost my appetite and could not sleep. My head pained me and I felt bad all over. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and now have a good appetite, sleep well, and have no symptoms of catarrh."

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Promises to cure and keeps the promise. It is better not to put off treatment—buy Hood's today.

UPTON.

Plenty of snow for sleighing now!

Fred Ellingwood, Jr., took his team to Chapman Brook, last week, where he intends driving it this winter. Fred Ellingwood, Senior, will stay at home this winter.

Percy Ford left town last Friday with a deer for market.

Bennett Morse is having the hay-pressers this week.

O. S. and E. B. Poor of Andover were in town last week, and took home Mrs. Godwin's nice flock of thirty sheep. Two nice cows and calves are yet unsold. Any one wishing an extra nice cow would do well to give Mrs. Godwin a call.

A traveling show company has been boarding at Henry Raymond's for a week, giving entertainments and selling medicines, soaps, etc., every night in Raymond Hall. They had many devices for getting money; a voting contest for the handsomest baby in town, fortune telling, etc.

Mrs. Fred Lane is much better than at last report.

Mr. Aldana Bartlett and wife of North Newry are visiting in town.

Mrs. Aldana Brooks returned from Central Maine Hospital last week. Her many friends hope she will soon be much improved in health by the medical treatment prescribed.

Public auction will be held at Mrs. A. O. Godwin's home, No. 2 High St., on Thursday, Dec. 18. Posters are out and a good crowd hoped for.

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NEWRY CORNER.

Mother earth is again robed in a mantle of white. The small boy was happy when he saw the ground covered with snow, and last winter's sled was promptly brought in to use.

Mrs. Virgil Chapman is ill and Mrs. Peter Gaudet is caring for her. Miss Bessie Searle has left us to commence her winter term of school in Errol, N. H.

Miss Fannie Hastings visited us on Friday.

The Ladies' Union Circle will meet with Mrs. H. S. Hastings on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeland Harlowe of Paris, have been visiting for some days with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harlowe.

Don Smith is still very ill.

Nearly two hundred lambs belonging to H. S. Hastings were sent to market Monday.

GRANTON.

G. A. Otis was in Newry, Friday. Arthur and Elmer Parker were in Bethel last week.

J. H. Farrar and wife are visiting his mother, Mrs. A. W. Farrar. Mrs. F. C. Wood of Randolph, N. H., spent part of last week with relatives in this town, returning to her home Friday.

Walter Brinck who has been working for Henry Lombard of Upton, the past two months was in town a few days last week.

E. B. Nickerson of Brunswick, accompanied by his brother and two friends, have been in town the past week on a hunting trip.

NORTH NEWRY.

Miss Florence Kilgore is spending a few days in Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cole returned to Berlin, N. H., Monday. They have been visiting friends in town.

Mr. Howard Thurston finished turning dowels this week.

The Ladies' Circle will have a hulled corn supper at Kilgore's hall, December 13. All are invited.

Maine Teachers' Association.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Maine Teachers' Association, to be held in Waterville on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 30 and 31, promises to be of unusual excellence. The program soon to be announced in full will contain addresses by prominent educators from various States.

Among these are Prof. John M. Tyler of Amherst College who will speak on Wednesday evening on the question, "How Can We Adapt Our System of Education to Present Needs?" Prof. Tyler has for many years been a prominent lecturer on social and educational topics. His course of lectures last winter before the Twentieth Century Club in Boston was a notable success. Frank A. Hill, Secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Education, will deliver an address of Tuesday evening on "Seven Lamps for the Teachers' Way." Secretary Hill was formerly a Maine man who, like so many others, has attained eminence as an educator in another State. Anna J. McKeag, Ph. D., Professor of Pedagogy at Wellesley College, will speak Wednesday afternoon on "The Value of Pedagogical Training." Other speakers will be A. J. Demarest, Superintendent of Public Instruction of Hoboken, N. J.; Supt. G. A. Stuart of New Britain, Conn., and Principal Philip Emerson of the Cobbett School, Lynn, Mass. The program will include numerous speakers from Maine among whom are President White of Colby, President Fellows of the University of Maine, and State Superintendent W. W. Stetson. Interesting programs of one-half day each will be presented for the five separate departments.

A feature which should add to the success of the meetings is the combination of the Schoolmasters' Club and the Association of Superintendents with the general State Teachers' Association. The Schoolmasters' Club will hold its annual dinner at the Elmwood Hotel on Wednesday evening. It is expected that Prof. Tyler will be the guest of the club. The Association of Superintendents will hold its annual meeting in connection with the department of superintendence on Wednesday forenoon.

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Wheeler—Merrill.

On Tuesday afternoon, December ninth, at two o'clock, Harlan P. Wheeler and Miss Edna C. Merrill, both of Gilead, were united in marriage at the home of Albert Bennett.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Bosworth, in the presence of a few friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler started on the afternoon train for a trip over the Southern Pacific to California where they intend to spend the winter.

Their many friends unite in wishing them a pleasant journey and much joy for many years.

Better Than a Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on the affected parts, is better than a plaster for a lame back and for pains in the side or chest. Pain Balm has no superior as a liniment for the relief of deep seated, muscular and rheumatic pains.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

An active volcano has broken out in the Wasatch range of Utah. But Mormonism is a worse one.

The War Department has issued an order providing for the exchange of fifteen Philippine regiments for organizations with the same number of troops in the United States.

Mrs. M. Agnes Garrett of Wyoming, will become a judge in January. May a kindly providence have mercy on the women who are brought before her for trial.

Speaker Henderson who recently gave his valuable law library to the Upper Iowa University at Fayette, has now donated his large private library to that institution. Mr. Henderson is a graduate of the university.

Andrew Carnegie, the American Library prince, has recovered sufficiently from his recent illness to undertake an ocean voyage, boarding the steamer Oceanic for New York. His physician will accompany him.

Although 125 years old, a watch owned by a gentleman in Gloucestershire still keeps excellent time. It was worn at Trafalgar, during the Peninsular war, at Waterloo, through the China war, in 1840, and finally in the Indian mutiny.

An Indian newspaper says that in northern India a tombstone stands to the memory of a good missionary, with these words: "He translated the scriptures into Pushtoo, and was accidentally shot by his khitnutghar. Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

The Christmas Dinner.

In spite of the fact that dyspepsia means literally *bad cook*, it would not be fair for many to lay the blame on the cook if they begin the Christmas Dinner with little appetite and end it with distress or nausea. It may not be fair for any to do that—let us hope so for the sake of the cook! The disease dyspepsia indicates a *bad stomach*, that is a weak stomach, rather than a *bad cook*, and for a weak stomach there is nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla. It gives the stomach vigor and tone, cures dyspepsia, creates appetite, and makes eating the pleasure it should be.

WE ARE NOT HEADQUARTERS for

SANTA CLAUS,

But our stock is brimming over with dainty and useful articles, suitable for Holiday giving. Come in and see if we have not just what you want.

Lamps

Are not exactly Holiday Goods as a general thing, but when they come in such beautiful colors and designs, as those we display, are well termed such.

Jardinieres

Are becoming more popular, more beautiful each year, and we have some very handsome ones.

China and Glass

Sets, also, those of more common ware can be found here, and there is a mammoth spread of individual pieces, costing from 5 cents to \$5.00. Each a nice little gift.

Toilet Sets

And many other useful articles are here. Also Cutlery, Sportmen's Goods, Tobacco and Cigars, and a full line of Hardware. Come in and look over our stock over.

Hastings Brothers,

Bethel, Maine.

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FINE HOLIDAY GOODS

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We will endeavor to please you. Among the many articles will be found:

Booklets,
Toilet Sets,
Manicure Sets,
Glove Boxes,
Handkerchief Boxes,
Necktie Cases,
Collar and Cuff Boxes,
Military Sets,
Shaving Sets,
Traveling Cases,
Combs and Brushes,
Hand and Stand Mirrors,
Smoker's Sets,
Cigar Cases,
Fine Pipes,
Ash Trays,
Soap Boxes,
Puff Boxes,
Fine Perfumes,
Atomizers,
Bibles,
Books,

Xmas Cards,
Box Stationery,
Kodaks and Cameras,
Pictures,
Photo Frames,
Photo Albums,
Auto Albums,
Scrap Books,
Writing Desks,
Writing Tablets,
Ink Stands,
Paper Weights,
Gold Pens and Pencils,
Fountain Pens,
Diaries,
Calendars,
Pocket Books,
Wallets and Purses,
Chatelain Bags,
Games,
Iron Toys,
Dolls, &c., &c.

BERLIN N. H.

Cona, the high bred stallion owned by Frank Wedge of this city, died recently from pneumonia. Mr. Wedge had only owned the horse a few months, purchasing him from the Allen Stock farm in Pittsfield, Mass., at a price said to be in the vicinity of \$600. The horse was one of the most valuable in this section of the country and Mr. Wedge had refused large sums for him. He was sired by Criminal, 208, and a full brother recently was marked at 207.

A crew of men are widening the underpass on Green St. The Grand Trunk has a mammoth pile driver on the ground to sink piling to uphold the tracks while the stone work is being put in.

T. E. Malloy lost a 250 pound pig last week by drowning in the Androscoggin at his farm on the Gorham road. The porker had been marked for slaughter, and in the chase to catch it, Mr. Malloy's dog took part, with the result that the pig went into the river and after swimming about for some time became exhausted and went down stream.

The following notice which was distributed last week has brought consternation to those people of Gorham and Berlin, who were depending upon our electric road for daily transportation:

Berlin, N. H., Nov. 30, 1902.

The public is hereby notified that owing to the refusal of the Berlin Electric Light Company to furnish power to operate the Berlin Street Railway, the railway will not be operated until such time as power can be furnished by the Cascade Electric Light and Power Co., which will be as soon as proper connections can be made.

C. P. DAY, President.

A serious accident occurred at the Cascades last week where the excavations are being made for construction work of the Berlin Mills Co. A blast of dynamite was accidentally exploded, and as a result a Mr. Stewart, son of a sub-contractor, lost an eye and a hand, and two Italian laborers are in a serious condition. One of them lost both eyes, and in the case of the other internal injuries are feared that may prove fatal. The Italians were taken to the hospital in Berlin and one was afterward taken to the Eye and Ear Infirmary in Portland, and Mr. Stewart was taken to the Maine General hospital.

T. P. Burgess, head of the Burgess Sulphite Fibre Company, underwent an operation for appendicitis at his home in Dedham, Mass., last week. The operation was successful and Mr. Burgess is reported as doing well. It is thought that he will be absent from business about a month. The fact that this is the same trouble that proved fatal to his brother, Geo. F. Burgess, about three months ago, caused a good deal of anxiety.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion, try a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. H. Seltz, of Detroit, Mich., says, "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of a bloated feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels." There are people in this community who need just such a medicine.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

RUMFORD FALLS.

Edward H. Clark went home to Farmington, Thursday morning, to recover from a severe attack of the grip.

C. H. McKenzie made a trip to Madison, Tuesday, to supervise the completion of his branch store which he expects to open before Christmas.

C. H. L. Powers has been called to Worcester, Mass., on account of the sickness of his son-in-law, D. N. Hawthorn, formerly of this town.

F. J. Caron left town via Bryant Pond at 5:45 a. m., Thursday, on a two weeks' vacation which he will spend at Gorham, Whitefield, N. H., and at his home in Brownington, Vt., some 18 miles from the Canadian line.

Ellsworth C. Field, 28 years old, who has been in the employ of C. B. Cummings & Sons, Bemis, met with a painful accident Thursday of last week. The forefinger of his



WOMEN'S WOES.

Hard for any woman to do housework—to attend to daily duties with a constantly aching back. Every woman should learn the cause of backache and the cure.

Doan's Kidney Pills

relieve a bad back and cure it—cure every kidney and bladder disorder, from backache to diabetes.

Mrs. C. F. Goodnow, living at 143 Washington street, New Britain, Conn., says: "I gave a testimonial in December, 1899, touching the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills, and in the statement said that I had been bothered with my back and kidneys for over thirteen years, not constantly, but when I caught cold it generally settled in my back, making it lame and sore. Often the pain through the small of my back was so severe as to make me cry out. I read about Doan's Kidney Pills, and procured some from E. W. Thompson & Co.'s drug store, on Main street. They helped my back immediately, and in a short time relieved me of the trouble. I have taken Doan's Kidney Pills at intervals during the last five years, when I felt an attack of backache coming on, and they always brought instant relief. I am never without them in the house."

Doan's Kidney Pills sold at all drug stores; 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

left hand was caught in a cut-off saw in the birch mill and lopped off at the first joint. He is a native of Oxford.

Miss Bertha Poor o Apdover is visiting with Mrs. Chas. E. Howe.

Wallace Moore, until recently employed as freight clerk at the local station of the P. R. F. Ry. Co., severed his connection with the corporation and has entered upon his new duties as head bookkeeper for the C. H. McKenzie Co., on Congress St.

Mrs. Will R. Swain of Rumford Center, accompanied by her 11-year-old son, Geo. W., started Thursday, to pay a visit to her cousin, Mr. F. Silver, at North Cambridge, Mass. She will not return until Jan. 1, and in the meantime will visit her sister in Greenfield, N. H.

Alfred Van Horne of Springfield, Mass., has recently purchased 2,000,000 feet of pine boards from the H. C. Dunton Lumber Co., representing W. E. Kelly & Co. of Chicago. The Company has already shipped 1,000,000 feet, sawing the logs cut from the forests up the river and preparing the finished boards for shipment at the earliest possible moment.

NORTH WEST BETHEL.

John Carleton and wife are soon to move back to their home near Newry Corner.

Mrs. Wm. Chapman has returned home from her trip to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brown are occupying their new home.

Dr. Harry Heald, Arthur Cole, dentist, and Tom Record of Buckfield, have been boarding at Seth Mason's the past week, enjoying a hunting trip.

Irving Palmer, foreman, from Berlin, Andriu Howie of Milan, in charge of the dynamite, working for F. E. Lary building roads, are boarding at S. L. Mason's.

Rob Inman and Fred Kilgore are sawing wood by horse power back in the woods.

A Timely Suggestion.

This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures.

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BEEF PRODUCTION.

What the Present State of the Market Means to Eastern Farmers.

Whether the present advanced price of beef and dairy products, especially beef, is due to the controlling influence of the so called beef combine or to the shortage of the feed supply, to the consumer the result is the same—namely, increased price. To the eastern farmer there is a deeper meaning from the important bearing it has on his future course of operations and methods. If due entirely to combine control, he should lend his assistance to help destroy such an octopus, both as a duty to his fellow man and to let the business of beefmaking settle to a permanent basis that we may know where we are.

On the other hand, it may be due to shortage of food supply incident to the western drought of last year, as some of us are inclined to believe, together with the facts that in five years beef cattle have decreased 14 per cent and the population increased 15 per cent. Most of us who know what it means to produce good beef at the present price of feed can appreciate this.

Then the question arises, Shall our past be a guide to the future? Be the cause what it may, trust or supply and demand, we cannot help agreeing that if the eastern farmers with land containing 25 per cent clay and over had given their attention to stock raising with herds with a natural tendency to beef and left those with lighter and better adapted lands to do fruit raising we would not have been so entirely dependent on the west for our beef supply. Neither would there have been such a bountiful table spread for the propagation and sustenance of the many insects and fungous diseases that now make fruit growing both a science and an art as well as more expensive than formerly.

The stock farmer, requiring less help on the same acreage than the fruit farmer, would to that extent have helped the labor supply and decreased the money spent for concentrated fertilizer and increased the land fertility by the application of stable manure.

Our producing good beef here in the east by using of the strictly beef breeds, with the assistance of the modern silo filled with corn and cowpeas for winter feeding, crimson clover and winter oats to supplement the pastures in summer, places the feasibility of this enterprise beyond question, concludes an American Agriculturist writer.

Crates For Apples or Potatoes.

Some years ago I made quite a number of bushel boxes like the one here-with illustrated. I made them more as an aid to sorting apples in midwinter than for any other purpose. After I had used them for a year or two I liked them so well that I have made a number, and I have found them to be very useful in handling either apples or potatoes, says a correspondent in an exchange. Apples may be sorted, put in these bushel crates and stacked up in tiers as high as one can reach and in this manner save room in the cellar. If the apples decay, sorting is very easily done, and they may be removed and placed in another part of the cellar if necessary. These crates will not withstand as rough handling as a galvanized half bushel or basket, but they may be used in an emergency as a substitute for them in careful hands. To make these boxes cut your end pieces from twelve inch boards twelve inches long and the bottom pieces and side strips sixteen and three quarter inches long. Nail the end strips to the bottom and afterward put on the side strips about one and a half inches apart. When the box is made, the inside dimensions should be 12 by 12 by 15 inches. This will make a good bushel.

BUSHEL BOX.

How to Keep Late Cabbage. Late cabbage laid in shallow trenches roots up will keep well if not placed too close together in the trench. Dig a trench about 8 or 10 inches deep and 2 1/2 to 3 feet wide, putting some cross-pieces of wood in the bottom of the trench for some odd end boards to rest upon, making a rough kind of platform, leaving a space of two or three inches beneath. A little straw is spread over the boards and the cabbages are packed in head down in two layers, the upper layer being placed between the angles formed by the cabbages of the lower one. A coping is placed over to keep them dry and attention paid that they do not get frozen.—Cor. American Gardening.

Fall Work With Asparagus.

Cut off asparagus tops close to the ground and burn them. Then broadcast rotten manure until the soil is completely covered. This treatment will help to prevent the rust next year and to insure an early growth of grass. A spring dressing of nitrate of soda will be an additional help.

Agricultural Notes.

Darkness and low temperature are the primary requisites in the successful storing of potatoes. Potatoes have rotted considerably in New England, New York and New Jersey.

A new York state exchange reports the Niagara grape crop practically a failure.

It is a guess, but there must be some guessing in farming, and I believe that this is the year to sow wheat in the Ohio valley, says Alva Agee in National Stockman.

Concrete buildings are much talked about of late.

Experiments in Iowa go to show that grass is the most economical sheep feed.

Beef production in the eastern states is becoming an interesting proposition.

New Oleomargarine Law.

For the dairy interests of this section we publish the vital feature of the new Oleomargarine Law, which was finally passed by Congress, April 28, 1902, and signed by President Roosevelt May 9.

"Sec. 8. That upon oleomargarine which shall be manufactured and sold, or removed for consumption or use, there shall be assessed and collected a tax of ten cents per pound, to be paid by the manufacturer thereof; and any fractional part of a pound in a package shall be taxed as a pound: Provided, When oleomargarine is free from artificial coloration that causes it to look like butter of any shade of yellow said tax shall be one-fourth of one cent per pound.

"And any person that sells, vendors, or furnishes oleomargarine for the use and consumption of others, except to his own family table without compensation, who shall add to or mix with such oleomargarine any artificial coloration that causes it to look like butter of any shade of yellow shall also be held to be a manufacturer of oleomargarine within the meaning of said Act, and subject to the provision thereof."

WIT AND WISDOM.

Waitress (at quick lunch)—"Do you want to eat this sandwich or take it with you?"
Gentleman—"Both."

Women love a clear, healthy complexion. Pure blood makes it. Burdock Blood Bitters makes pure blood.

In South America. Tourist—"You certainly do have a great many insurrections."

Native—"Yes; our insurrections are as frequent as your strikes; but fortunately, not as serious."

Bodily pain loses its terror if you've a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Instant relief in cases of burns, cuts, sprains, accidents of any sort.

Baby Slow to Learn—Young Mother (to herself) "I don't see why it is that baby doesn't talk better. He's very backward." Same mother (five minutes afterward)—"Did dee ittee tootsee-wootsee waken up, zee tunnin' little pettie, so he was?"

"Neglected colds make fat graveyards." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup helps men and women to a happy, vigorous old age.

An Afterthought.—Mrs. Style—"Now Henrietta, you may give Fido a bath and a shampoo, comb his hair nicely and put a fresh ribbon around his neck; and then if you have time, you can go and see what the baby is crying about."

Eczema, scald head, hives, itchiness of the skin of any sort instantly relieved, permanently cured. Doan's Ointment. At any drug store.

Towne—"Bankrupt, is he? Why, I thought he had a fixed income of ten thousand dollars a year."

Browne—"So he had, but his wife fixed that in three months after their marriage."

A glass or two of water taken half an hour before breakfast will usually keep the bowels regular. Harsh cathartics should be avoided. When a purgative is needed, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are mild and gentle in their action.

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Got a Light Sentence.—Judge—"Have you got anything to say before sentence is passed?"

Prisoner—"No, Your Honor, except to call your attention to the fact that that fool-lawyer what defended me was appointed by yourself."

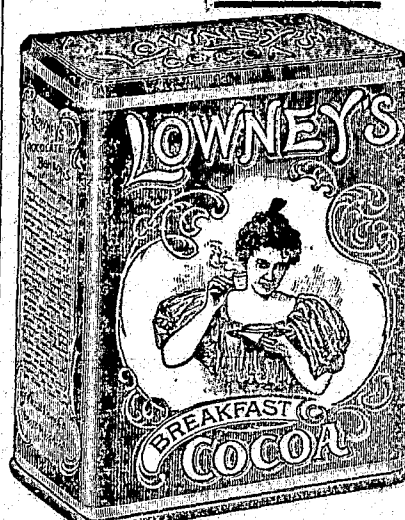
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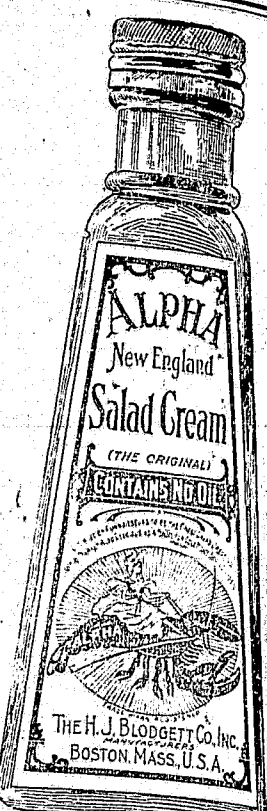
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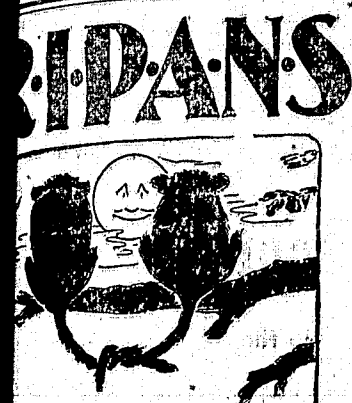
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YOUNG PEOPLE.

The New Sentry and the Little Boy.

The sentry stood before the throne,
So pompous, grim and tall,
A little lad came strolling in,
So quiet, trim and small.

"Come, come! Be off!" the sentry said,
"You can't stay here, you know,
I am the king's new bodyguard;
Be off and don't be slow!"

The little lad stood all amazed
As if he had not heard;
The little lad stood still and gazed
To hear the sentry's word.

"Be off, you dolt!" the sentry cried,
"And see you make no noise,
The king or prince may soon be here;
They don't like little boys!"

"Oh, but you're wrong!" the child re-
plied.
"The king, I know, loves me!
While I like little boys myself,
And I'm the prince, you see."

—Tudor Jenks in St. Nicholas.

Ted's Rose.

It was Ted's birthday; he was dressed in his best for the afternoon's outing in the park, and he was very particular not to soil his new shoes at the crossing, so he kept a lookout for dry spots, until some one called to him:

"Hello, Teddy!" said a friendly voice from the florist's window. "You look very fine this morning."

"It's my birthday, and I'm seven years old to-day," Ted answered proudly.

"Well, you're quite a man, sure enough!" Mr. Burke laughed. Wait a moment, Ted, I have just the thing you want." He came out presently with three long-stemmed yellow tea-roses, their cups of gold fairly brimming with delicious fragrance.

"Been training them for this very occasion," he explained cheerily, "and they opened just in time. They'll keep a long while if you're real careful."

Ted was inordinately fond of flowers—yellow tea-roses by preference—he had them on birthdays, holidays and as often between times as his mamma could afford; but there had been no roses of late; things had gone woefully wrong at the office, and Ted had to be contented with looking at the plants in the florist's windows.

He thanked Mr. Burke, and walked away with the roses held protectingly out of range of hurrying passers-by; and it was hard to say which was the lovelier, the roses or the cherub face above them.

The crowd blocked his progress at the street corner, and while he waited he heard a man say, in a low, distinct voice:

"Yonder's that miser, Northcutt, the poorest man in New York!"

"And the most unhappy," said his companion.

Ted had the curiosity to run ahead to look at the most unhappy man in New York. He was very tall and thin and sick-looking.

Ted wondered how he came to be so well dressed, for even to his unpracticed eye, he presented a good appearance. Somebody must have given him his old clothes, of course, just as papa always gave his clothes to poor people. Ted watched him with sympathetic interest, and even followed him to the door of a nearby restaurant where he took a seat at a side table, and Ted could see his face very plainly.

Yes, he certainly did look very unhappy, and no one seemed to care about him in the least; he would just slip in and give him a rose—that would please him.

Ted picked out the largest and handsomest rose and carried it carefully up the fast-filling aisle between the tables and laid it on the table before the poorest, unhappiest man in New York. He started, turned round, and eyed the little donor sharply.

"Hello, who are you?" he asked very brusquely.

"I'm Ted Winterburn," came the surprised answer.

The old man's lips moved and he seemed about to ask another question. He knew Ted's father very well, indeed; he had him in a "corner," where he intended to keep him till his last dollar was gone. The thought of that triumph gave him a great deal of satisfaction when he remembered certain affairs of the past in which Winterburn had defeated his interests.

"Hum," he muttered, "roses in mid-winter! Such extravagance! He deserves his bad luck. I don't think you'd better give these away," he said aloud; "they don't belong to you."

"Why, yes, they do!" Ted answered indignantly. "Mr. Burke gave them to me for my birthday!"

"Oh, he did? Well, that's different." He took the long-stemmed rose in his thin hand and sniffed at it gingerly. "Much obliged, I'm sure," he said, on second thought.

Ted looked over the meager fare pityingly. If there was anything in the world he disliked it was cambric tea and dry toast, such as he saw lying on the poor man's plate. He could not know that his friend's jaded appetite refused to take anything but the merest necessities. He sipped the cambric tea in silence until the waiter brought Ted a glass of milk on a silver salver.

"Take it," said the man authoritatively; and Ted found that he was really very thirsty.

"Now," said the poor man, when Ted put down the empty glass, "I'd like to know why you gave me that rose?"

"Because I feel sorry for you," came the slow and tuneful answer.

"Sorry? And why?" he demanded.

"Because you're the very poorest and sorriest man in New York."

"The poorest man in New York?" he echoed grimly. "Who told you that?"

"I don't know his name. 'Twas a man on the street, and he tolled another man that."

"Oh!" with a queer, mirthless smile, "and you feel sorry for a poor, friendless stranger?"

"Yes, I do," said Ted, very gravely and sweetly.

There was a little embarrassed pause, during which the keen, hollow eyes looked into Ted's beautiful face as though searching for something, which they must have found presently, for the dark, old face relaxed into a smile, which utterly contradicted the hard, cruel lines about the thin lips.

"I thank you very much for the rose, my little friend," he said, "but most of all for the sweet thought that prompted your kindness. It's many a long day since I've had such a precious gift," he added, with a queer break in his voice.

He took from his pocket a memorandum and scribbled a few words across the face of a printed note.

"Ask your father to read that to you as soon as you go home," he said. "Don't lose it; it's your birthday present from the poorest man in New York."

It was lunch-time when Ted reached home. Papa sat at the table stirring his tea absently and looking over a long row of figures in the latest paper.

"Gerry, do try to eat something," said mamma anxiously, from her place at the head of the table.

Ted went over and laid the crumpled paper beside his plate, and his father leaned over and glanced at it unseeing; but its contents caught and riveted his instant attention.

"To Gerald W. Winterburn, to hold in trust for his son, Ted, 75 shares of the Union Traction Stocks, being the full value of the original cash deposit of said Gerald W. Winterburn in the company's securities."

"(Signed.) ALEX. NORTHUTT, 'Prest Union Traction Co.'"

He read it over twice and three times in speechless wonder; then mamma took alarm at his changed, bewildered looks, and rose and looked over his shoulder at the bit of paper in his trembling hand.

"Alex. Northcutt! Gerry, what can it mean?" she asked in breathless amazement.

"It means that a miracle has happened, and he has saved me from utter ruin—at the eleventh hour, Alex. Northcutt, whom men call skin, flint and miser! What can have moved him to such a wondrous deed?"

"It was the rose," said Ted confidently. Which was really not all; but the parents guessed the rest.

A Little One's Idea of Crime.

A little one had seen that terrible sight—the chaingang—working in the street, and asked for an explanation of the striped clothes and the iron fetters. She was told that the men had been naughty and were being punished. The next time she was taken out, the child escaped from her nurse, and running up to a hulking negro convict, looked up into his brutal face and asked, piteously:

"Did 'oo steal 'oo's mamma's sugar?"

Alas for those far-off days when stealing mamma's sugar was the most heinous crime known to our souls!

AN UMBRELLA ROOF.

How to Make a Shady Nook Where You Can Play House.

This is how to make an open air playhouse of a large umbrella: Tie a strong piece of twine securely to the end of each of the ribs and tie the loose end of each piece of twine around the notch cut in a pointed wooden peg a short distance from its top. This will give an umbrella with a fringe of dangling pegs. Open the umbrella and

fasten the handle securely to a long, sharp pointed stick, binding the two together with strong twine. First run one end of the twine down the length you intend binding, allowing enough to tie at the bottom; then commence binding at the top over all three—the umbrella handle, the twine and the stick. Wind the string around very tight, and when you reach the bottom tie the twine you hold to the loose end of the length under the wrappings. Examine carefully and be sure the handle does not slide or twist on the stick; then push the point of the stick down into the ground at the place decided upon for the playhouse. If you are not strong enough to erect the house by yourself, ask some companions to lend a hand and help sink the stick firmly in the earth. When this is accomplished, stretch out each length of twine in turn and drive the peg in the ground. You will need a wide ruffle of some kind of material long enough to reach around the outer circle of pegs when it falls from the umbrella. The stretched twine will hold the ruffle out, forming an odd little playhouse with a smooth, round

THE FRAME.

THE COMPLETED PLAYHOUSE.

roof and drapery walls. Plait the ruffle and pin it on the umbrella with safety pins; also fasten it at the bottom to each peg. Newspapers pasted together and made of double thickness may take the place of woven walls if more convenient, but be careful in handling the paper, as it tears readily. The longer the pole the higher you make your house and the longer the strings must be, consequently the larger the house.—Demarest's Magazine.

Too Big For a Little Boy.

We had been invited to join a company who were to make the trial trip on a small steam yacht built for the use of one of our government inspectors. We were well under way when the young man who was engineer determined to play a joke on the small boy who was with us.

Just as the little fellow was about to take a drink of water from the large tin dipper, which had been provided for use rather than ornament on the boat, the man at the throttle pulled a rope which blew the whistle.

The boy dropped the dipper and ran crying to his mother.

"Why, Howard?" she said, "you are surely not afraid of a whistle!"

"No," he yelled, "but that is too big a whistle for such a little boy!"—Detroit Free Press.

Three Little Rules.

Three little rules we all should keep to make life happy and bright—Smile in the morning, smile at noon, and keep on smiling at night!

—Stella George Stern in St. Nicholas.

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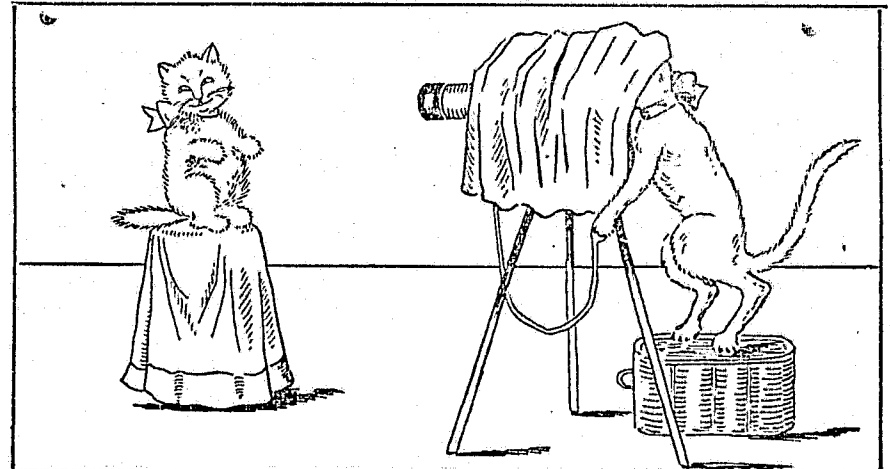
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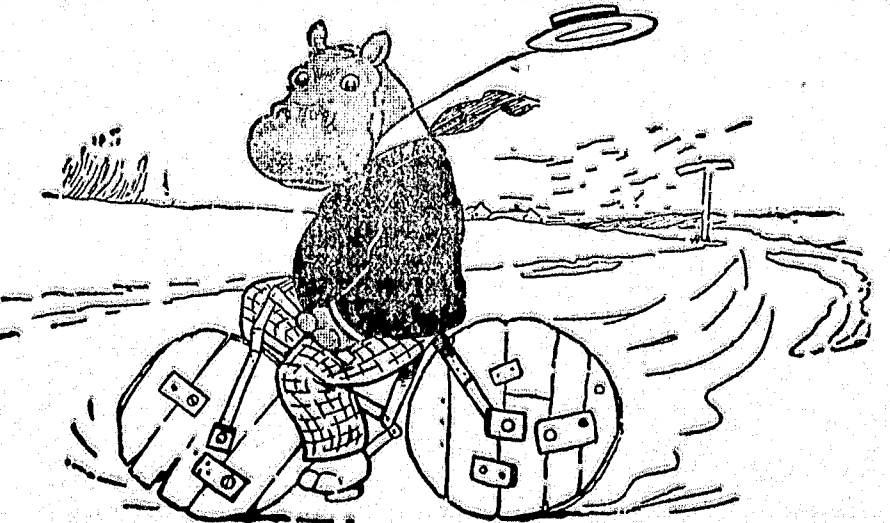
Round the parlor whisking.
Here and there and everywhere,
Climbing, running, frisking;
On the table, in the chair,

Kitty seems forever flitting;
Maids and m' tress scold and laugh;
Now she on a stool is sitting;
Let me take her photograph.

FUN AT THE BEACH



HAPPY MR. HIPPO



"Well," snorted Mr. Hippo, "you can talk about motor cars, but give me a good cycle. I made this one myself, and it goes beautifully."

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mrs. E. C. Bowler spent Friday and Saturday in Portland.

Miss Alice Mason of Berlin was in town last Thursday and attended the Masonic banquet.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Bradbury of Norway, were present at the Masonic installation, last Thursday.

Mrs. Whitney Buck of Norway came to Bethel, Monday, called by the death of her sister, Mrs. D. H. Grover.

Creditors of the estate of the late C. M. Wornell will be paid Saturday afternoon at the office of H. E. Hastings.

F. G. Caswell of South Paris who has been employed at the Chair Factory for several months, has gone to Harrison to engage in the picture frame business.

Mr. Milton Penley who has been in the meat business for the past twenty-eight years, has, owing to ill health, sold his business to Mr. A. Van Den Kerckhoven who will from to-day carry on the business. It is understood that Mr. Van Den Kerckhoven will move to the village and carry on a general meat business, and we trust will receive a liberal patronage.

Mrs. Sophronia Chandler Grover, wife of D. Hannibal Grover, who resides on Mill Hill, died last Monday morning after an illness of about ten days, resulting from a severe cold. Mr. and Mrs. Grover had both been quite ill but very few realized their condition and were accordingly shocked by the news of Mrs. Grover's death. Services were held at the house this afternoon conducted by Rev. C. N. Gleason, pastor of the Congregational church. Mrs. Grover was a member of the Woman's Relief Corps and has been a prominent officer of the Golden Cross for the past ten years.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the estates herein named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two. The following matter having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel News, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1902, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

ALBERT S. TWITCHELL, late of Gorham, N. H., deceased, final account presented for allowance, also petition for order to pay over to executor in New Hampshire, the proceeds of said estate in Maine, presented by John E. Benton, executor.

MARY F. ORDWAY, late of Bethel, deceased, first and final account, presented for allowance by Ella M. Fernald, special administratrix.

AMY M. AUSTIN, ward of Bethel, petition for license to sell and convey real estate and invest the proceeds, presented by Nelson A. Austin, guardian.

IRVING R. HARRIMAN, second account presented for allowance by Banister N. Chapman, trustee.

MARIA P. ATHERTON, ward of Newry; third account presented for allowance, by Chas. D. Atherton, guardian.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court. A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of

PHINEAS F. HASTINGS, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Nov. 18, 1902. Ella F. Kenerson.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the last will and testament of

WILLIAM B. CLARK, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Nov. 18, 1902. Elery C. Park.

NOTICE.

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CLARINDA BRYANT, late of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Nov. 18, 1902. Ellen B. Dudley.

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The woman who is awakened by the first streak of dawn will do well to drink a cup of hot cocoa if many hours are to elapse before breakfast is served. Cocoa furnishes both food and drink and is easily digested by most people. It will relieve any faint feeling and give one the necessary strength to dress. The cocoa may be made the night before and can be heated in three minutes over an alcohol lamp. If the cocoa is made with fresh milk, it will keep perfectly overnight.

Baskets For Salad.

Salad baskets are large, round, shallow affairs, made with handles and widely woven of fine, strong willow. In these the fresh green salad leaves are washed. They should be cut from the roots and dropped loosely into the baskets. Plunge basket and all up and down in a large pan of water, after which they should stand in a cool place to allow the leaves to drain.

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Delivered at our factory in Bethel, the coming winter, One Million (1,000,000) feet long lumber, consisting of Pine, Spruce, Hemlock Fir, Oak, Ash, Maple, Birch, and Beech Logs; also One Thousand (1,000) cords of White and Silver Birch, cut four feet long. We pay CASH. We are also in the market for timber lots.

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Manager Wanted.

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\$20.00 Straight Cash Salary and All Expenses paid Each Week by Check direct from Headquarters. Expense money advanced; previous experience unnecessary; position permanent. Address Thomas J. Cooper, Manager, 1040 Caxton Building, Chicago, Ill.

For Sale.

A set of "Messages and Papers of the Presidents" has been left at the News office for sale. It has just been received from the publishers and is new. Anyone desiring this most excellent work should make inquiries at the office. Bethel's allotment was three sets and this is one of them.

For Sale.—Furnished House.

The Meyer house, situated on the corner of Church and Main streets, and fronting upon Bethel Common, in Bethel village, formerly known as the Skillings house. This house has recently been put in good repair and elegantly furnished. For terms apply to

HERRICK & PARK,
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For Sale.

In Grafton, about 600 Cords of Spruce and Fir, STANDING. Will sell and let stand a term of years if preferred. Apply to

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Farm for Sale.

The Ethridge farm, so called, on Grover Hill, last occupied by Chas. W. Willey. Good orchard, sufficient wood for place. Some young timber, excellent pasture and good buildings. A good bargain for a party wanting a farm. Apply to

HERRICK & PARK, Bethel, Me.

Lost.

A porte-monnaie containing nearly eight dollars, Friday night or Saturday morning. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at the News office.

Mrs. F. L. EDWARDS.

VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

When the Columbian Club was born, its sponsors declared that there should be one meeting place for tired women where the words "raising money" should not be heard. Whenever therefore the women composing this club have wished to be generous or hospitable, they have quietly assessed themselves, and the deed has been done.

But when the question arose of turning the barren, inartistic Common in our village, into a centre for beautiful landscape effects, the Columbian Club had the happiness of receiving quick response to its call for aid, and a new sense of responsibility seemed to infuse itself into the spirit of the club.

The work of making the Common beautiful, with walks and shrubs, groups of trees, and green expanse of lawn yet remains to be accomplished, and there are but seventy-five dollars in the treasury.

What is to be done? This plan is to be tried; a Village Improvement Society is to be started with the hope that every person in this village, from nine to ninety years of age, will feel himself or herself a member of good and regular standing. The Columbian Club will use its machinery of officers and efforts to render this society a working power in the village.

As every member of the community will be benefited by whatever raises the standard of our town in any way, we hope the appeal that is to be made will be received as a personal one, and that each response will be regarded as a privilege as well as a pleasure.

Upon such a foundation a great improvement can be wrought among us, without taxing any resident beyond very small sums at infrequent times.

As a beginning we are so fortunate as to have in our midst guests of unusual talent, who stand ready to give us of their largeness of knowledge; of their reminiscences of travel; of their experiences in connection with great social and moral questions; and to charm us with their musical and dramatic talents. What could be more fortunate! With this brilliant, immediate future upon which to base its new venture, the Village Improvement Society begs leave to bring before the entire community its program for the next five weeks.

At Garland chapel on Friday evening, December twelfth, at 7:45 there will be given the first of a series of weekly entertainments for the benefit of the Village Improvement Society.

Dr. Hubert de Lasarre Spence, one of Cleveland's most brilliant and successful physicians, will give a musical and dramatic recital. Among the many gifts of which Dr. Spence is the happy possessor, is that of being able to reproduce, with perfect technique, magnificent breadth, and beauty of conception the most difficult musical compositions, after hearing them but once. All this is done entirely by ear as he does not even read music. His dramatic selections will be humorous and pathetic,—taken from Dickens' imitable stories.

The next week will be "Ladies' Night." Mrs. Tuttle of Brookline, Mass., will give an informal talk upon "Prison Work." One of the most hopeful signs for the future in this Republic of ours is the fact that so many noble women of leisure are giving themselves to the uplifting of sinning, suffering woman. Mrs. Tuttle's talk will be a revelation to many and of great interest to all.

The third night's program will be precluded by Dr. Spence's delightful playing, and then Mr. George Megrew (formerly Andrew Carnegie's youngest partner in the great Steel Company of America) will read a paper upon the process of transforming dull iron into shining steel, with the additional interest of showing us something of the business method of the world-famous enterprise from the stand-point of one who has spent years in personal connection with the men who have made its success.

Our fourth evening will be taken by Mr. Grover Flint, grandson of the late Dr. John Grover of

Bethel (his father, Gen. Cuvier Grover, is still well remembered by Bethel people) and also grandson of the late Austin Flint of New York City who was called "The Father of American Medicine." Mr. Flint is son-in-law of the late John Fiske of Cambridge, and editor of the famous historical essays the reading world is now eagerly reviewing.

Mr. Flint is a Harvard graduate; he has spent two years in Spain and was in France on the editorial staff of the Paris-European edition of the New York Herald. He afterwards enlisted in his father's old regiment "The First Cavalry," on the Mexican border. He was war correspondent in Cuba with Gomez, an experience which he has embodied in his book, "Marching with Gomez," and an honorary major in the Cuban Revolutionary army. He has recently returned from the Philippines where as lieutenant of volunteers he was twice wounded. Mr. Flint will give us an informal talk upon, "Our adopted citizens—the Filipinos."

Our last evening will be made most interesting by the presence of Hon. Edward H. Strobel, professor of International Law in the Harvard Law School. Mr. Strobel has had a wonderfully varied and unusual experience in foreign life as he has been for many years in the Diplomatic Service of the United States. For five years he was Secretary of Legation and Chargé d'affaires at Madrid and during this time was twice detailed on special business to Morocco. He was afterward Third Assistant Secretary of State. From this post he was first transferred as United States minister to Ecuador and afterward to Chile. Upon leaving the diplomatic service, his present position at Harvard was offered to him.

Mr. Strobel expects to leave this country in a few months to occupy a very important position abroad. The subject of his informal talk is not yet fully outlined, but from Mr. Strobel's unusual experiences, a charming finale may confidently be expected for this series of "Benefit Evenings for the Village Improvement Society."

The tickets for the course will be but 50 cts., with single tickets at 20 cts.

The patronage at Dr. Spence's readings will determine the next place of meeting, and the News and posters will keep the public fully informed.

Masonic Installation.

Bethel Lodge, F. & A. M., held its public installation of officers at its hall last Thursday evening. A short program was given consisting of music by the Bethel orchestra and a solo by Dr. Wight, all of which was highly appreciated. The installation on the whole was pronounced one of the most pleasing for years. After the services at the hall, supper was served to a number of Masons and their families at the Universalist chapel. The usual feast of reason was had after the wants of the inner man had been bountifully supplied. Rev. F. E. Barton served as toastmaster and speeches were made by Grand Master Kimball, Dr. Bradbury of Norway and several members of Bethel lodge.

The following officers were installed by Grand Master A. S. Kimball of Norway, assisted by Grand Marshall B. F. Bradbury of Norway:

W. M.—E. H. Young.
S. W.—H. M. Farwell.
J. W.—A. C. Frost.
S. D.—W. E. Abbott.
J. D.—A. Van Den Kerckhoven.
Sec.—D. G. Lovejoy.
Treas.—H. C. Rowe.
S. S.—D. H. Mason.
J. S.—Geo. Ryerson.
T.—N. E. Richardson.

The cold wave struck New England at the same time it arrived in New York. Throughout Maine the thermometer registered from 8 to 20 below, a fall in some places of 40 degrees in twelve hours. The thermometer dropped to 25 degrees below in Bangor Tuesday morning, the coldest in eighteen years. The Penobscot river is closed to navigation and ten schooners imprisoned in the ice at Bangor will remain there until spring unless a thaw heavy enough to break up the freeze comes later.

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A house coat is just the thing to give him. It gives him a stylish appearance when he is at home. We have an extra nice shades of blue, gray and tan coats with fancy lining. Trimmed around pockets and cuffs to match linings, \$5 and \$6

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for Christmas. No matter how many ties one has, another is always acceptable. This season we have many novelties. 25c and 50c

SUSPENDERS

are always useful. We have them put up in a fancy box, suitable for holiday giving from 25c to \$1

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